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Hancock County Proposes To Refund & Exchange Outstanding Bonds

Acts Before Legislature To Authorize Board of Supervisors To Issue And Exchange Bonds Bearing Not More Than 3½ Per Cent For Present Outstanding Bonds Bearing 5 Percent Interest

There has been introduced in the Mississippi Legislature 2 bills to authorize the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County to refund their outstanding bonds. One bill authorizes the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County to issue and exchange Road and Bridge Bonds of 1944 of said County in the principal amount of \$337,000.00 for the purpose of redeeming a like principal amount of outstanding Road and Bridge Refunding Bonds of said County and to make provisions for the payment of such bonds at maturity and the interest thereon as it accrues. The other bill proposes to amend Chapter 4, Title 30, Mississippi Code of 1942, which is the original Seawall Act and the amendments thereto, and this bill authorizes the Board to refund and exchange its Road Protection and Road and Seawall Bonds.

Hancock County has an assessed valuation of approximately \$4,000,000.00 and has an outstanding bonded debt of \$1,663,500.00, which, we believe is the highest per capita debt in the State of Mississippi. The history of the bonded debt of Hancock County is as follows:

In 1913 the first bonds were issued in the county. At that time the Board of Supervisors issued for road building purposes, bonds in the sum of \$50,000. This total issue was payable in twenty years. In 1933 these bonds were retired.

On March 1st, 1923 the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County issued \$400,000.00 of Road and Bridge Bonds for the purpose of building what is now Highway 90 and Highway 11 in this county.

On March 1st, 1925 there was again issued \$160,000.00 of Road and Bridge Bonds to build county-wide roads.

On May 1st, 1925 there was issued \$180,000.00 of Road and Bridge Bonds which money was used to pave the streets that are now paved in the City of Bay St. Louis.

On July 1st, 1925 there was issued \$122,500.00 of Bridge Bonds to pay for Hancock County's part of the construction of the bridge across the Bay of St. Louis.

Of these issues of bonds, there is at the present time outstanding \$337,000.00.

In 1926 the Board of Supervisors issued bonds in the sum of \$1,250,000.00, for the purpose of constructing the seawall and roadway along the beach. Of this issue there is still outstanding, \$1,043,000.00.

In September 1938 the Board of Supervisors issued \$75,000.00 of Funding Bonds to pay the then outstanding obligations of the county. There is \$32,000.00 of this issue outstanding.

In December 1938 there was issued \$47,000.00 of School Funding Bonds to pay the back salaries due the teachers of the county. There is \$15,500.00 of these bonds still outstanding.

On May 1st, 1940 there was issued \$75,000.00 of Road Protection Bonds which were used for the purpose of purchasing a dredge boat and dredge boat equipment for the county. There is outstanding \$49,000.00 of this issue.

And on May 1st, 1940 there was issued \$200,000.00 of Road and Seawall Bonds, which money was used in conjunction with the W. P. A. for the repair of the seawall and rebuilding of roads and bridges in the county. There is outstanding of this issue \$184,000.00 of bonds.

All of these bonds that are presently outstanding against the county bear five percent interest, with the exception of the Road and Seawall Bonds which bear four and three-quarter percent, and the Road Protection Refunding Bonds of 1942 which bear three and three-quarter percent and three and one-half percent respectively.

Under Senate Bill No. 335, the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County would have authority to refund any bonded indebtedness of said County now or hereafter outstanding payable from the sources of revenue as is provided under the Seawall Act, and to issue Refunding Bonds of said County, which shall be secured by and payable from the same source of revenue as the bonds refunded thereby and such Refunding Bonds are to be issued only to refund the present outstanding bonds which mature on any date upon which said outstanding bonds may be redeemed or upon the voluntary surrender of outstanding bonds by the holders thereof. The Refunding Bonds to be issued are to

bear not more than 3½ percent interest instead of 5 percent as they presently bear, or a net saving of 1½ percent interest per year. Upon the issuance of these bonds, there shall be certified by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to the State Treasurer the fact that these bonds have been issued and delivered and thereafter the revenue and taxes which would otherwise have been paid into the County Treasury of said County for the payment of Road Protection and Seawall Bonds and interest thereon under the provisions of the Code shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of such County in a special fund to be designated "Interest and Sinking Funds for Road Protection and Seawall Bonds of Hancock County," which funds shall be held and shall be applied by the State Treasury to the payment of interest accruing on such Refunding Bonds and principal thereof at maturity. Under the Act, the Board of Supervisors of the County shall levy a 5 mill tax for the purpose of providing sufficient funds to pay such bonds and interest thereon as it accrues. At present there is a ten mill tax for this purpose. The taxes to be collected and remitted to the State Treasury as other State taxes are collected. However, if there is a sufficient amount to the credit of such interest and Sinking Fund as of September 15 to pay all principal and interest of such bonds then due and owing during the 12 months running from said September 15, then the State Treasurer shall certify on or before October 1 of each year this fact to the Board and, in the event that it is not necessary to levy a tax for the purpose of supplementing the Gasoline Tax, then the same may be omitted by the Board.

Under the provisions of the Bill, the Board of Supervisors is to determine and fix the compensation and fees for services to be rendered by the Chancery Clerk and by such other agents as such Board may deem it to be advisable or necessary to employ in order to effectuate the issuance of Refunding Bonds and exchange of the outstanding bonds and interest thereon. However, the aggregate amount to be paid for such services shall not exceed 1½ percent of the Bonds actually issued and delivered, except in cases where the bonds to be refunded are not due or redeemable prior to maturity, in which case such Board, in procuring the surrender of such outstanding bonds, may expend not exceeding an additional 2½ percent of the principal amount of Refunding Bonds actually issued and delivered.

The other Bill introduced is Senate Bill No. 334, which authorizes the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County to issue Refunding Bonds in the sum of \$337,000.00 for the purpose of redeeming its presently outstanding Road and Bridge Bonds and Bridge Bonds. The provisions of this Bill are similar to the General Bill, which provides for the Refunding of Road Protection Bonds with the exception that it now transfers the payment of these bonds along the same line as the Road Protection Bonds. The principal amount and interest of these bonds are to be paid from the Gasoline Tax and Automobile License fees. This matter was submitted to the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County by Mr. Leland Speer of Jackson, one of the outstanding bond authorities in the State of Mississippi, and, at the suggestion of the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Speed proceeded to have Charles & Trauer, national bond attorneys, who would certify to the validity of such bonds if issued, draw the necessary bills. It was decided that a fee of 1½ percent to be paid to the Agent of the Board of Supervisors in handling the exchange of said bonds would be a reasonable fee. It was also suggested that the Board of Supervisors would be given some leeway in securing the surrender of a 5 percent bond for one bearing 3½ percent, it having been pointed out to them that in many instances people would not want to release their 5 percent bonds for the 3½ percent bonds and they have asked authority of the Legislature to allow them to pay expense and other demands to owners of the 5 percent bond when proper, in an amount not to exceed 2½ percent for the purpose of procuring the surrender of the bonds and to accept in lieu thereof a bond bearing 3½ percent.

In writing the local and private Bill providing for the refunding of \$337,000.00, the Attorney failed to differentiate the amounts to be paid

INCREASE IN POSTAGE RATES

To Take Effect March 26, 1944

First class for local delivery will be increased from 2 cents to 3 cents, however post cards will remain the same 1 cent. Air mail will be increased from 6 cents per ounce to 8 cents per ounce for mail within the mainland of the United States including Alaska. The rate of 6c for each half ounce or fraction thereof continues to apply to air mail sent to or by the armed forces of the United States overseas served through army and navy post offices. The air mail rate to and from the United States and its possessions as well as the rates applicable between such possessions will continue unchanged. For all Air mail for outside of the United States the rate is based on one half ounce and care should be taken to see that there is enough postage to avoid delay.

The rates on parcel post mail, registered mail, and money order fees as well as other services have been changed to take effect on March 26, 1944. These rates can be secured from the local post office.

The rate on out of town letters of the first class still remains at 3c per ounce and post cards will remain at 1c.

and made a flat provision for the payment of 4 percent for the Chancery Clerk and such other agents as said Board may deem it advisable or necessary to employ in order to effectuate the issuance and delivery of said bonds, and did not set out the provision to enable the Board to pay the just demands for the surrender of the 5 percent bonds and at first glance under the wording of the Bill, it appears that the Chancery Clerk and other agents of the Board were to be paid 4 percent.

Under the provisions of these two bills, the Board of Supervisors, if they are successful in the refunding of their bonds and securing the exchange of the outstanding bonds, will effect a saving of approximately \$25,000.00 per year in interest. These bonds have been outstanding for twenty years, and of the Road Protection Bonds during all of the time that they have been outstanding, there has only been \$207,000.00 of these bonds paid. We have had to pay 6 percent interest up until 1938 and at the present time are paying 5 percent. With money as cheap as it is, and with these bonds set up in the manner in which the Bills provide, it is the opinion of the bond men and the Board of Supervisors that the exchange of these bonds can be secured. The bond to be issued would resemble a State Bond it being payable at the Office of the State Treasurer and would appeal to the bond buying public even though it carries a far lesser amount of interest rate. The suggestion made for the payment of the old bonds of not exceeding 2½ percent, if necessary, we believe would encourage the bond buyers to exchange their bonds and that was the purpose of placing this clause in the Bill. It will be necessary for the fees as set out, to be paid to the bond men who will handle the transaction for the Board of Supervisors. Whatever fees that are allowed the Chancery Clerk for services under the General Laws of the State. The Chancery Clerk will handle all of the exchanges insofar as the clerical work is concerned.

Little would anyone realize the amount of work that is required in making exchanges of bonds. It is necessary that every holder of Hancock County Bonds, who are scattered throughout the country, be contacted and a picture placed before him of the proposition. It is necessary that hundreds of letters and personal contacts be made. It will be necessary that transcripts be made. Each bond exchanged must be certified to the bond Attorney and many thousand certificates will have to be made. It will require the hiring of additional help by the Chancery Clerk of the County for the purpose of handling these matters. Once these bonds are ordered refunded and exchange begins, the Chancery Clerk and he alone is personally responsible for each and every bond that is exchanged. In the course of exchange, if he sustains any loss of bonds, it is certainly his loss.

The fees allowed the Chancery Clerk under the General Statutes of the State of Mississippi are 50c for each certificate and 15c per 100 words for transcripts. Under a ruling from the Attorney General and the State Auditing Department, the charges allowed under the General Laws of the State of Mississippi as fees for the Chancery Clerk, can not be charged in a refunding or in the issuance of bonds. The purpose of inserting in the Acts the legalization of fees of the Chancery Clerk was to make it possible to pay this officer for the additional work that would be placed upon his office. His total fees, if the maximum were al-

RED CROSS LUNCHEON MEETING

To Be Held Monday at Hotel Reed—Charles D. Whitman Principal Speaker

Hancock County workers in the Red Cross 1944 War Fund Drive will be inspired to work harder at a luncheon meeting Monday, March 13, at the Hotel Reed, where they will hear Charles D. Whitman, assistant field supervisor in the Central Pacific.



CHARLES D. WHITMAN

Mr. Whitman has just returned from an inspection tour of Red Cross activities in islands recently invaded by American forces. He will bring a first hand story of operations of our troops, and of the Red Cross in making them happier and saving lives.

The Central Pacific Area Red Cross started on a "roll scale" with \$300 in emergency funds to members of the Armed Forces. By October of last year this sum had grown to more than \$25,000. More than 4,000 cablesgrams were sent each month in connection with health and welfare reports and emergency furlough needs.

Mr. Whitman was in the Canal Zone for nine months as field director before he was assigned to the Central Pacific. Before he joined the staff of the American National Red Cross he was with the department of welfare in New York City for 11 years. He is a graduate of Texas A. & M. and did graduate work at Columbia and at Cambridge, England. He is a veteran of the first World War.

Reservations for Monday's luncheon must be made by Saturday at the Red Cross Hut Beach and Main Street, telephone 227. The price of the luncheon is 75 cents.

Nationally, the Red Cross this year has a goal of \$200,000,000. This will make it possible for the organization to enlarge its services to the armed forces and, as National Chairman Leon Fraser of the War Fund drive says, if the last gun of the war is fired tomorrow the need for Red Cross services will still continue for months.

During the past year, and financed out of the 1943 drive, millions of Americans did work for the Red Cross and, through it, for all men in service. There were nearly 4,000,000 Volunteer Special Service workers and they made 12,000,000 garments, 2,500,000 kit bags and countless millions of surgical dressings. They served thousands of emergency men, drove cars, ambulances and trucks. More than 17,000,000 members of the Junior Red Cross produced millions of comfort and recreation articles, collected waste metals, textiles, paper and fats.

Five million pints of blood were collected through the Blood Donor Service. Its mobile unit, incidentally, is paying a second visit to Bay St. Louis Monday, March 27, and hundreds of volunteers are wanted. They may sign up for appointments at headquarters in the Courthouse.

Their blood may save a life, their money contributed to the War Fund Drive may save a lonely soldier's reason.

The War is twice as big this year as last year, so the Red Cross wants twice as much from every contributor.

lowed, would not exceed \$3200.00 for the complete issuance and exchange of the \$1,029,000.00 of bonds which work will run for more than one year. When the bonds of Hancock County were refunded in 1938, the present Chancery Clerk, performing all of the acts required of him and he having handled and exchanged \$1,432,000.00 of bonds for the County. The people of the County should

WASTE PAPER NEEDED FOR WAR!

Attention: Girls and Boys—Do you want to help win this war and get your fathers and brothers home sooner thereby? This is your opportunity to help in a big way.

Get your express wagon or baby carriage and start collecting paper. Maybe you can get mother to use the car.

You see Uncle Sam needs paper and the need is great. Why? Because paper is used to make the pulp for the boxes, cartons and shipping cases in which food and bullets go to the front.

Right now there is so little waste paper on hand that some paper mills have had to close. Well, what are we going to do about it? There is enough paper if you and I will collect it and get it to those mills.

Call your mother's attention to the fact that paper shortage affects these food and grocery products she's been getting in paper cartons lately instead of cans.

This is what is needed: newspapers, magazines, cardboard boxes, cartons, shipping containers, paper bags, wrapping, letters, envelopes, paper advertising matter.

You are asked to keep all the papers and magazines separate. All other paper can be tied together in bundles of about 25 pounds for easy handling.

BE A PAPER HUNTER FOR UNCLE SAM! Tell everybody about the need of paper. Tell them not to burn or throw away any papers.

City trucks and Boy Scouts will collect salvage paper in wards 3 and 4 on the morning of Tuesday, March 14. Please have your papers ready and out where it will be easy to pick up. Do not wait until that date to have it ready and thus cause delay. This is a civic voluntary act on the part of the city to send these trucks—so do your part and have the paper ready. If you prefer you may leave it at the old athletic shed, Ullman and Carroll avenue. The big idea is to give the paper. Answer this as you answer all other calls from your country—with a willingness and a "I am glad to help attitude." Uncle Sam needs paper and needs your cooperation.

This drive is sponsored by the National Defense Junior Red Cross and Scouts.

Mrs. Phillip Dichiera Dies in Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. Phillip Dichiera died Tuesday in Los Angeles, California, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Maurice Perre, the former Miss Frances Dichiera. The funeral was held there this morning.

Mrs. Dichiera leaves besides Mrs. Perre, a daughter the former Miss Annie Dichiera and a son Peter Dichiera all of Los Angeles. She is also survived by four sisters, Mrs. Angelina Piazza and Mrs. Sam Regino of Bay St. Louis; Mrs. Annie Stabola and Mrs. Louis Piazza of New Orleans; two brothers Tom Noto, Bay St. Louis and Joseph Noto of New Orleans.

Mrs. Dichiera made her home in Bay St. Louis for many years and has many friends who will feel her passing. The Echo extends sympathy to her son and daughters and to her sisters and brothers.

Mrs. L. V. M. Schrimshaw, Dies at Waveland Home

Mrs. Lilly Violette Mae Schrimshaw, wife of Walter Schrimshaw, died at her Waveland home on Monday, Mar. 6 following an illness of long standing.

Mrs. Schrimshaw was a native of Leicester, England, as is Mr. Schrimshaw but they have lived in Chicago, Ill., and New Orleans for the past 40 years. They bought a home and came to Waveland about nine months ago with the hope of Mr. Schrimshaw regaining her health.

The Schrimshaw home was already known for its exquisite orchids, rose trees and other rare growths and in the short time they have lived here they had made many friends.

The body was taken to New Orleans and the funeral was held in New Orleans on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Schrimshaw's friends and the Echo extend sympathy to him at the loss of his wife.

bear in mind that these are not new bonds to be issued. They are the refunding of our present bonded indebtedness which bears 5 percent interest. They are simply asking the Legislature to authorize them to renew these same bonds in the same amounts bearing a rate of not to exceed 3½ percent interest per annum. If it became necessary for the Board to issue these bonds at the maximum amount of 3½ percent per annum as provided under the Bill, there would be a saving to the people of Hancock County of 1½ percent interest per year on these bonds, an estimated savings in dollars and cents over a period of twenty-five years of approximately \$600,000.00 and in addition to a possible reduction in bond levy of 10 mills per year.

Qualifying Tests For Army And Navy Programs

The third Army-Navy College Qualifying Test for the Army Specialized Training Program and the Navy College Program V-12 which will be given throughout the county on Wednesday, March 15, at 9:00 a. m., will be administered at Saint Stanislaus, Brother Linus, Vice-President announced today. A leaflet of general information which contains an admission-identification form may be obtained at Saint Stanislaus. This form properly filled out will admit to the test students between the ages of 17 and 21 inclusive who are high school graduates or who will be graduated by July 1, 1944. Intent to take the test should be made known immediately to Brother Linus in order that the necessary test supplies may be ordered.

The same examination will be taken by both Army and Navy candidates. The examination is designed to test the aptitude and general knowledge required for the program of college training and all qualified students are urged to take the test. At the time of the test each candidate will be given a choice of service preference, but taking the test does not obligate the candidate to enlist in the service.

The Army Specialized Training Program is aimed to meet the Army's needs for specialists and technicians in certain critical fields of study. Academic work is at the college level at government expense.

The Navy College Program also enables students to continue academic training at government expense. Successful completion of the prescribed courses may, following further officer training, lead to a commission in the Navy.

There will be another Red Cross Blood Donor Service held here on March 27. Registrations will be taken at the Red Cross Hut on North Beach.

Here is another opportunity for service for service men. Another chance to "give what you can" for what the armed forces are doing for you. Be sure to be ready to give your blood. Be sure to register at the Red Cross Hut. It is open from 9:30 a. m. to 5 p. m. Phone 227.

"Greater love hath no man than this: that he lay down his life for friend."

Central School P-T. A. To Meet Tuesday, Mar. 14

The Central School P-T. A. will meet on Tuesday, March 14, at 8 p. m. in the music room of the school. A full attendance of fathers and mothers is urged.

The topic for the program is "When 15 and 50 Disagree Let's Talk it Over." This will be a panel discussion with a group of young people from Gulfport and Bay St. Louis, led by a competent leader. Parents and visitors may participate.

Earning Their Red Cross Quota

The Girl Scouts of Troop One are busy earning their Red Cross quota, by raking yards, polishing silver and other jobs. They have completed several assignments and have all they can handle in their spare time this next week. The willingness to get out and earn with their hands, the money for the Red Cross, shows the true scouting ideal of helpfulness and service, and the fact that they are living up to it, is a source of great pride to their leaders.

Meeting of N. C. C. W. Held at Long Beach

Mrs. G. Y. Blaize, C. G. Moreau, Geo. Stevenson, and Rev. Father A. J. Gmelch attended the meeting of the National Council Catholic Women which met at Long Beach on Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. Father Lilly gave a very inspiring talk. Mrs. Daisy Wentworth reported 480 having pledged to attend the weekly prayer hour at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church for the service men.

The Council has dispensed with the serving of refreshments for the Lenten season but each unit offers a small token and on Wednesday Mrs. Rosa Sigerson was the winner of the handkerchief.

HOME ON TEN-DAY DELAY

Pfc. W. R. Johnson, Jr., Army Air Corps, arrived Sunday from Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, on a ten-day delay before going to Lake Charles where he is being transferred. Young Johnson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson and is a graduate of St. Stanislaus and was employed in defense work when he enlisted in the Army.

THE MOST IMPORTANT AFFAIR OF THE YEAR

On Saturday and Sunday, March 18 and 19, a huge fair will be held on the grounds of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. This fair is being given under the auspices of St. Joseph's Academy Junior Red Cross and the Bay-Waveland Garden Club. All proceeds to be turned over to the Red Cross for their annual War Fund Drive.

Last year these two organizations worked together on behalf of the Red Cross and most of you will remember the outstanding success, made by the Minstrel Show which they sponsored. This year they are anxious to help the community in a big way, and have planned this fair for the entertainment of the entire county.

We are all aware of the wonderful service given by the Red Cross to our men and boys in uniform, and to their families at all times. We are all going to an all out effort to raise the funds necessary so that this greatest of all organizations may carry on its work for humanity. We know that you will be at the fair. Not only will you be giving aid to a great cause, but there will be fun and entertainment for all.

The fair will open on Saturday at 5 p. m. and on Sunday will be open from 2 to 6 p. m. and will re-open at 8:30 p. m.

An idea of how service men feel about the Red Cross is given in a radio report from H. J. Taylor to his Scripps-Howard newspapers about the Red Cross in Great Britain: "When a canvass was made on the effectiveness of the U. S. civilian agencies in England, common consent put the American Red Cross at the top of the list. It's the old story of impartial, experienced management, single-mindedly going about its job."

\$2500 DOWN AND \$6800 TO GO

The Red Cross War Fund Drive reports \$2500 collected to date. Don't forget that the Red Cross Hut is still open and waiting for you. If you have not been contacted by a solicitor you will find Mrs. Roger Bobbitt, Mrs. George R. Rea at the hut waiting for your contribution.

Keep in mind that the quota is \$9300.00 and that Hancock County has never failed to make its quota. Don't let your county down.

Guest Speaker at Meeting Of Pass Garden Club

Mrs. Louis Pate was guest speaker at a meeting of the Pass Christian Garden Club held at the home of Mrs. Adams on East Beach, Pass Christian.

Mrs. Pate prefaced her address with something of the customs and habits of the peoples of South America but the body of her interesting and informative talk was on the trees, flowers and birds of the three Americas.

Following the meeting Mrs. Adams entertained at a delightful luncheon. Mrs. Pate was presented with an arm bouquet of carnations.

LIBRARY NOTES

Mrs. Caroline Dale Snedeker is in receipt of the following from a service man in India: "Because a 'Book of American Poetry' is outstanding amidst 'The Booby Twins' and 'Fundamentals of Accounting,' I write.

Because exceptions like this prove the generosity of the American Public for the most part book-cases were cleared of what should have been discarded last Spring.

Because I contributed a book which was read in a tent in India by kerosene lantern, I would be pleased."

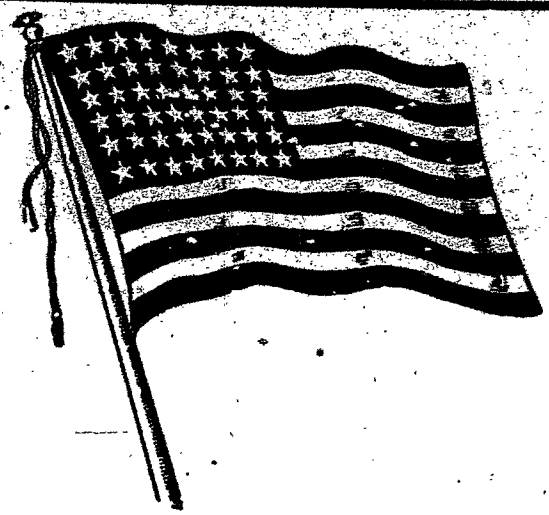
This was written because in the last Victory Book Campaign Mrs. Snedeker sent among other new books "A Book of American Poetry," and signed her name. This is an evidence of what the armed forces like in the way of books.

The library is enjoying the patronage of the wives of the service men and of the men too who sometimes find the library a haven of rest where they may rest, write a letter or read. It would be a patriotic act on the part of some of our citizens to donate a subscription to the library of a good magazine.

The library is in receipt of the following books from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace: Senior books: "Grandmother Drives South" by Henley and "The People's Peace" by Stewart.

For the children "The Water-Buffalo Children" by Pearl Buck, "Level Land" by de Jong, "Waiting Green" by Panter-Downes and "Yanko in America" by Lederer.

These are yours for the asking. Though these are right from the press there is no rent charge on them. Come in and enjoy them. If you haven't read them you will want to.



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COUNTY REFUNDING BONDS

THERE has been quite an outburst about the bills introduced in the legislature to authorize the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County to refund its bonded indebtedness, and from first glances we would say that they may be justified.

However, we do not believe that any person who is properly informed as to the contents of these bills could from the furthest stretch of the imagination oppose these bills, or feel that the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County did not have the interest of the county at heart by asking for the passage of these acts.

As we all know, Hancock County is a very small county and has an assessed valuation of approximately \$4,000,000.00. At the present time the bonded debt of the county amounts to \$1,663,500.00, which is the highest per capita debt of any county in the State of Mississippi.

The question may be properly raised that bonds should not have been issued. The majority of the bonds that the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County is attempting to refund were issued in 1923, 1925 and 1926. The \$337,000.00 of Road and Bridge Bonds and Bridge Bonds were issued in 1923 and 1925 for the purpose of building Highway 90 and other county-wide roads, the bridge across the Bay of St. Louis and paving the streets of the City of Bay St. Louis.

The Road Protection Bonds and Road and Seawall Bonds which amount to \$1,286,000.00 were issued in 1926 and in 1940. The gasoline tax in Hancock County is used for the payment of these bonds. In addition there is a five mill levy for the Road Protection Bonds and a five mill levy for the Road and Bridge Bonds.

Under the plan proposed to the Board of Supervisors by one of the outstanding bond men of the State of Mississippi, the total amount of bonds owned by Hancock County for road and bridge purposes and road protection would be refunded at a rate of interest not to exceed three and one-half percent. These bonds would be exchanged with the holders of our bonds for their five percent bonds. Certainly we believe that it would be good business to save one and one-half percent interest on \$1,623,000.00 of bonds. If our calculations are correct, it would amount to \$24,345.00 for the first year. In addition to the saving in interest the schedule of bond payments would be so worked out it is our belief that the gasoline tax and automobile license fees would take care of the principal payments and interest installments due each year on these bonds. In that event, it would mean the elimination of a ten mill bond tax that the people of the county are now paying. It would mean the saving of approximately \$600,000.00 in interest over a period of twenty-five years.

Could anyone feel that the Board of Supervisors, under these conditions, should not refund their bonds; where we have a condition such as exists in the bonded debt of this county; where we find that in eighteen years it was only possible to pay \$207,000.00 of Road Protection Bonds which bore six percent interest practically all of the time; and when we see that the Board could refund their total bonded debt and pay approximately the same amount of interest on all of the debt that they are now paying on the original issue of Road Protection Bonds?

We believe that if the Board of Supervisors failed the people of the county by not working for the passage of the bills before the legislature, and in not authorizing the refunding of these bonds, they should retire from office, feeling that they have neglected a duty to their people.

It is an easy matter for the people who are opposed politically to men who hold public office to raise a cry at every effort that may be made to better the conditions of the county from a taxing standpoint, but these people should realize for once in their lives that it is an easy matter to tear down and destroy—far easier than it is to build. It is easy to stand on the street corners and in the lobbies of public buildings and cuss public officials. Have these people who are so prone to criticize taken time out to secure a copy of the bills introduced and read them? If they have, then they should try to be fair, and certainly they could not oppose the actions of the Board in this matter, unless it be that they are not willing to build, but would rather destroy in order to gain their point.

WILL GERMANY COLLAPSE?

WHEN will Germany collapse? This question has been thoroughly discussed in the United States where millions of people consider a "collapse" a magical method of ending a war.

It just isn't so. A collapse will come only when the armed forces of the United States batter the Nazis to their knees, giving them more battle than they can take.

The process isn't easy. It means death, suffering and destruction. It requires some courage at home as well as among the fighting men who go after the enemy.

There is only one way to produce a collapse among the adherents of aggression, to kill enough of the enemy to make it impossible for the remainder to stand up and fight.

We might as well steel ourselves, as a nation and a people, to the sober thought that we won't get out cheaply this time. In the first World War the end came soon after we got our army ready to fight and our losses were relatively small. In this struggle it may be many months of bloody warfare and we may have to learn that the price of war is added to the folly of peace and pacifism.

There is a chance, of course, that the war may end suddenly and that we will be happily surprised, but the job of the nation and its entire population today is to accept war, wage war and thus end war.

CUTTING PULP WOOD HELPS FARMERS

"The farmer helps himself as well as Uncle Sam when he cuts pulpwood," Earl Porter, Southern Kraft Division of International Paper Company, Mobile, Alabama, said today in urging increased cutting now to meet the 14,000,000-cord goal set by the War Production Board for military and essential civilian needs. If this goal is not met, there will not be enough containers to package the food the farmers are expected to grow.

"The farmer helps himself because pulpwood is needed to manufacture the containers he uses to market his farm products. Without these containers and wraps, liners, pads and bags the farmer would find himself in a serious predicament. Current shortages in supply have been attributed in part to a slackening in production from farm woodlands," Mr. Porter said and government officials, therefore, are urging increased cutting by farmers themselves to help meet their own needs.

"War Food Administrator Marvin Jones, in a recent statement, said: 'Every farmer has a direct personal interest in the shortage of pulpwood because so many pulpwood products enter into the marketing of his products. The War Food Administration is working with the War Production Board and the War Manpower Commission to increase the production of pulpwood and other forest products. If you have any time at all in which you could cut pulpwood, get in touch with your County War Board or County Agent.'

"Apart from satisfying the needs of the Army and Navy, for pulpwood products—and their demands are increasing as the invasion hour approaches—the farmer must help meet his own demands for pulpwood," Mr. Porter said.

"To market the fruit and vegetable crop in 1944, millions of cartons, containers, bags, wraps and liners are required. These can be obtained in the necessary quantities only if every farmer does his share." The mill official also pointed out that farmers can profit by cutting pulpwood, particularly at this time when pulpwood prices are at a peak. By following good forestry practices, they can improve their woodlands and make possible an annual pulpwood harvest, he added.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF HENRY D. WOOD, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

Letters Testamentary have been granted, on the 14th day of February, 1944, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, upon the Estate of Henry D. Wood, deceased, and notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate, to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law, within six months from this date, or such claims will be forever barred.

This the 14th day of February, A. D. 1944.

J. E. STOCKSTILL
Executor.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. 4776
Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Mrs. Mary M. Bremer, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 14th day of February, 1944, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within six months from this date, failure to do so will bar the claim.

This the 15th day of February, 1944.
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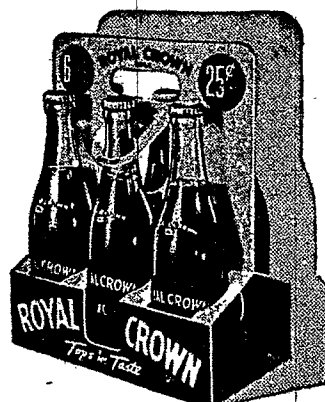
Adventure and romance run neck and neck in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's newest picture, "The Adventures of Tartu," which stars Robert Donat and with Valerie Hobson, Glynis Johns and Walter Rilla in the chief supporting cast.

Directed in London by Harold S. Bucquet, the picture depicts the adventures of a special British agent, Tartu, who is assigned to go to Czechoslovakia, blow up the Skoda works and bring back with him the formula the Nazis have been using for producing poison gas. He undergoes several changes in costume, after he sets out to fulfill his mission. Little did he think he would run into so pretty an ally as Valerie Hobson, who almost causes him to lose his life.

His Life Endangered
However, she realizes before it is too late that she has not only endangered Robert Donat's life, but also the cause of the secret Czech underground. She warns him in time of the impending danger, thus saving him for the cause and for herself.

Glynis Johns and Walter Rilla are capital in their supporting roles, each contributing a performance which has made Hollywood producers sit up and take notice. Unfortunately, both meet the same fate—death, but this does not take away any of the glory due them for their individual characterizations.

One of the highlights of the picture deals with the acid test given Robert Donat before he is accepted into the league of the underground Czech forces.



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Logtown News

C. W. Fountain, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fountain of Logtown, was recently advanced from 2nd to 1st Lieutenant and continues to be stationed in Fort Benning, Ga. He and Mrs. Fountain, the former Miss Mildred Otis, have an apartment in Augusta, Ga.

Cleve Dawsey, U. S. C. G. is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Dawsey for a furlough after completing a course in Beloit, Wisconsin.

Cadet Midshipman Elliott Casanova, Jr., completed his training at San Mateo, California, Friday, March 3rd and has shipped to sea.

Mr. and Mrs. Coulouge, Sr., of New Orleans are spending a few days in their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jaton Russ, their daughter, Gwendolyn and son, Jerry of New Orleans spent Sunday with Mrs. J. L. Russ here.

Mrs. Herbert Roddie, who is at home with her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Marshall since Lt. Roddie is across, spent a few days with Mr. Roddie's mother in Hazlehurst recently.

Miss Edith E. Dawsey had as her week-end guest, Miss Eunice Thigpen of Aaron Academy.

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"The pulpwood shortage affects every farmer"

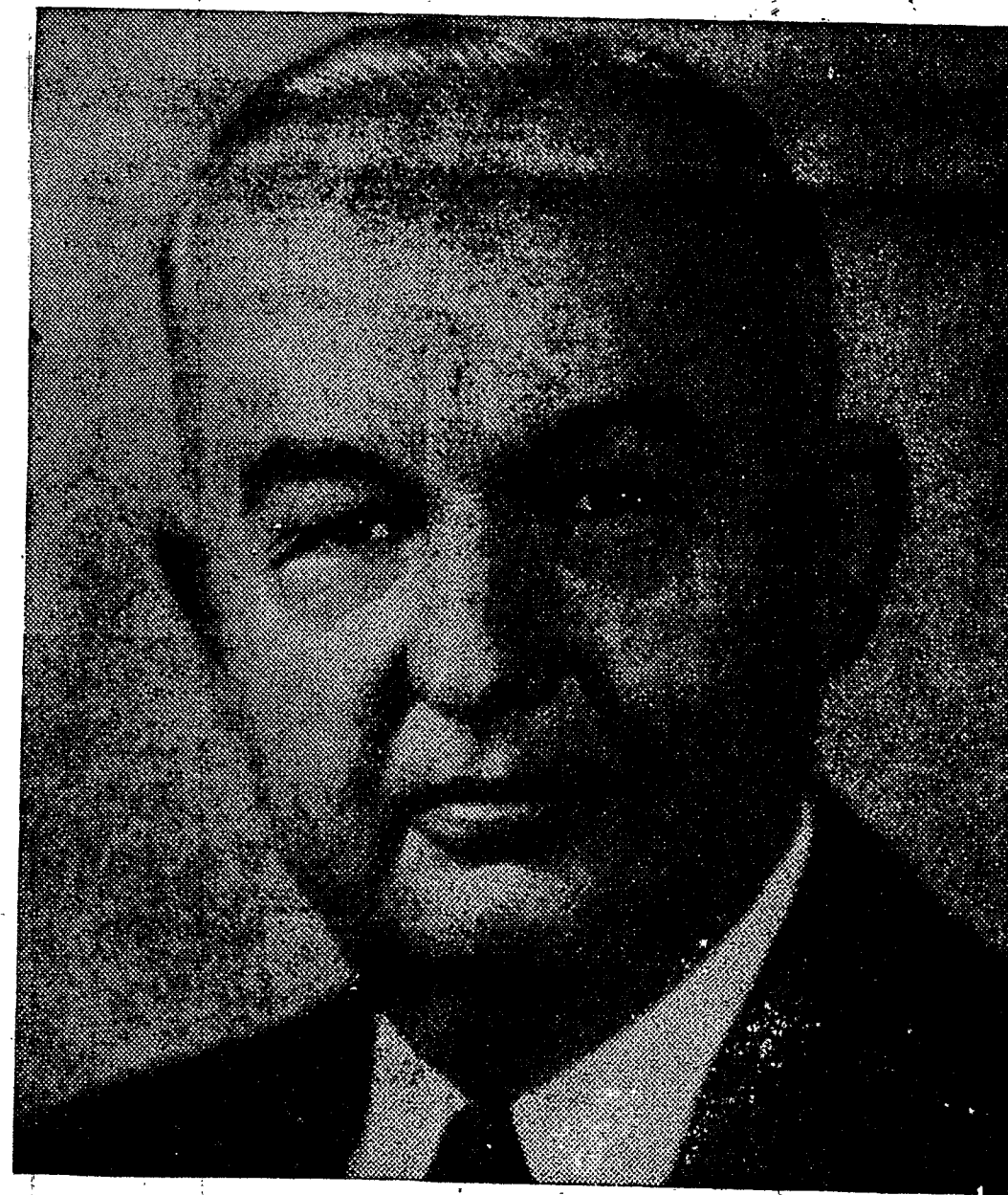
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War Food Administrator
MARVIN JONES

"EVERY farmer has a direct, personal interest in the shortage of pulpwood because so many pulpwood products such as cartons, wraps, liners, pads and bags, enter into the marketing of his own farm products.

"Uncle Sam's pulpwood needs of 14,000,000 cords in 1944 are keyed to the invasion of Hitler's conquered Europe. The War Food Administration is working with the War Production Board and the War Manpower Commission to increase the production of pulpwood and other forest products.

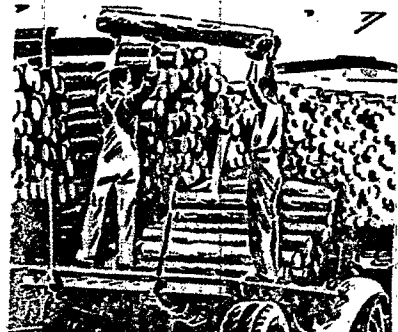
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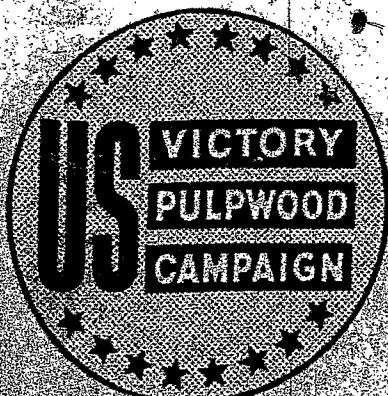
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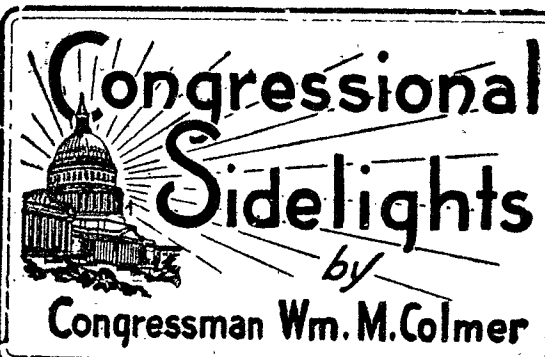
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FURLOUGHS FOR OVERSEAS VETERANS

During the past year Members of Congress and the War Department have received many solicitations from members of families having loved ones overseas fighting the country's battles for these veterans to be furloughed home. Up until very recently the War Department has turned a deaf ear to all such requests. However, realizing the merit of such pleas, the War Department has now worked out a rotation policy whereby veterans with more than two years service overseas in combat areas might be returned home for a brief furlough. This policy, of course is a general one, and it will not be practical, so the Department advises, for it to apply to all servicemen as some of them cannot be spared from their present duties. In other words, there will be some men who, because of their skill, knowledge, and experience, cannot be replaced in combat zones and therefore cannot be spared from the war areas to be sent home for a furlough.

Of course the whole plan hinges upon the ability of the Government to transport these men home and

back again to the battle fronts. The question of shipping is an extremely important one, and until very recently it was not felt that we had sufficient shipping space to put this so-called "shuttle service" into effect.

A goodly number of men are now returned by air, but it can readily be seen that it will be impractical to return any very large number of men by this method of transportation. Most of those who have been flown back were ill, wounded, or badly needed a rest. Incidentally, we were down at the National Airport a few days ago and saw some forty or fifty officers who were leaving by plane at 3 o'clock in the afternoon for overseas. We were told by one of them that they would be in England the next morning.

Generally speaking, men in the South Pacific area will be given preference on these furloughs as they were the first to be sent overseas. Then, too, because the number of the men required in the operations in that vicinity are relatively small it will not be very difficult to replace them with men from this side who have not yet had combat duty.

On the whole, the scheme is a very good and meritorious one and is certainly perfectly justified. However, it should be borne in mind that the War Department is attempting to work these furloughs out on a fair and equitable basis, giving to men who need rest and vacations the first preference. Political influence will not, and should not, play any part in this program.

1944 SOIL CONSERVATION

Farmers, who employ agricultural practices designed to increase the output of needed crops for 1944, will receive \$200,000,000 through the War Food Administration this year. Soil conservation practices have been in effect since 1936 and consist of the application of fertilizers, cover crops to protect the land from erosion, and terracing to control water and prevent wind blowing of soil. The 1944 food goal calls for an all-out production. Acreage limitations and allotment payments have been eliminated. Farmers wishing to receive benefits will work out a program with their local A. A. A. Committee. No agents will be sent around to ascertain whether farmers have complied, and payments are to be made on the basis of the farmer's own report.

EMPLOYMENT OF VETERANS

General Frank T. Hines, for 21 years Administrator of veterans affairs, has been assigned a big undertaking by the President to prepare plans for the reemployment of servicemen and war workers who must be fitted back into the na-

tion's industrial machine when the war ceases. General Hines, by virtue of his experience and ability, is extremely well qualified for such an assignment. Too, he is popular with the veterans and has their confidence. His job will embrace the re-training of veterans, either in schools or in actual jobs; and the re-employment of veterans and war workers in peacetime industries. Persons who are trained in veterans' schools will be given preference in the industrial machine when the war ceases.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF LAND

By virtue of the authority vested in me by a decree of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, rendered on the 29th day of February 1944, in cause No. 4781 on the docket of said Court, wherein Grace Gwendolyn Mitchell, et al., are complainants and Earl E. Mitchell is defendant, the undersigned Special Commissioner will on

MONDAY THE 27TH DAY OF MARCH, 1944

within lawful hours offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, at the front door of the court house of said county, the land situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, and described as follows, to-wit:

The NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4, and the N 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 33, Township 6 South, Range 16 West, less the East 60 feet thereof conveyed by E. E. Mitchell and wife F. A. Mitchell, to the Inez Fruit and Nursery Company by deed recorded in Book D-5, page 73 of the deed records of said county.

Said land will be offered as a whole and sold in one body. Given under my hand this 3rd day of March, A. D. 1944.

A. G. FAYRE
Special Commissioner.

SUMMONS AND ATTACHMENT IN CHANCERY COURT

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

To John Roland Weston
An attachment at the suit of Mrs. Elizabeth Z. Weston, against your estate in the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars per month and a further amount to be fixed by the Court, returnable before the Chancery Court of Hancock County, at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, being cause No. 4779 has been executed, and is now pending in said court; and unless you appear before said court on the Second Monday of March, A. D. 1944, same being a rule day of said Court, and plead to said action, judgment will be entered and the estate attached will be sold.

Witness my signature and official seal, this 17th day of February, A. D. 1944.
(SEAL) A. G. FAYRE, Clerk.

BETTE DAVIS-MIRIAM HOPKINS ACTING MARKS 'OLD ACQUAINTANCE' AT A. & G. THEATRE

To Be Shown Sunday And Monday

"OLD ACQUAINTANCE" directed by Vincent Sherman; screen play by John Van Druten and Lenore Coffee from the stage play by John Van Druten produced by Dwight Deere Wiman; a Warner Bros. First National picture presented at the A. & G. Theatre with the following cast:

Catherine Marlowe.....Bette Davis
Millie Drake.....Miriam Hopkins
Rudd Kendall.....Gig Young
Preston Drake.....John Loder
Deirdre.....Dolores Moran
Lucian Grant.....Philip Reed
Charlie Archer.....Roscoe Karns
Belle Carter.....Anne Revere
Harriet.....Esther Dale
Mademoiselle.....Ann Codee
Editor.....Joseph Crehan
Mr. Winter.....Pierre Watkin
Margaret Kemp.....Majorie Hoshelle
Dean.....George Lacey
Saleslady.....Ann Doran
Deirdre, as a child.....Phanchie Ruffo

With the amazing power, resourcefulness and variety that are the marks of genius, Bette Davis, in the Warner Bros. production of "Old Acquaintance," which opens at the A. & G. Theatre Sunday night again creates a new personality, so genuinely alive and real that everything which concerns her becomes of absorbing interest. And since her story comes from the sensitive and understanding pen of playwright John Van Druten, the film is an unforgettable and vivid experience in the dramatic play of emotional forces.

Brilliantly co-starring, Miriam Hopkins provides, in the character of self-centered Millie Drake, a flashing, headstrong vixen, a contrast to the fine and understanding selflessness of Bette Davis' Kit Marlowe.

The story subtly tells of the envy of these two women. Millie's envy of Kit's ability as a novelist expresses itself in quick, unreasoning jealousy which alienates both her husband and her child, while Kit unselfishly seeks only to preserve for her friend the happy possessions for which she envies her. Even after Millie's jealousy has robbed both women of love, Kit's resolute loyalty and serenity is great enough to sustain them both.

A capable supporting cast includes such established players as Philip Reed, Roscoe Karns, Anne Revere, Esther Dale, Ann Codee, Joseph Crehan, Pierre Watkin and Majorie Hoshelle.

problems, particularly veterans, will work in each community in conjunction with the U. S. Employment Service. A veteran is not fully rehabilitated until he is gainfully employed, and the Government purposes to render every assistance to this end.

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MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE
The Legislature opened its third month of the 1944 regular session with a remarkable record of accomplishment, and bright prospects for an early adjournment. Up to March 2 there had been introduced in the House 634 bills, while 303 bills had been introduced in the Senate, making a total of 937 bills introduced in all. However, only 76 bills have been passed by both houses and signed by Governor Thomas L. Bailey, and transmitted to Secretary of State Walker Wood, who is custodian of all enrolled bills, and is charged under the law with having the laws printed and distributed in book form. Of the bills already enacted into law were 58 House Bills and 18 Senate bills. In addition there have been 36 House Concurrent Resolutions approved or a total of 19 Concurrent Resolutions approved.

Among the more important bills approved by the governor and now the law are: H. B. 23—an act to levy a privilege on crude oil; 5 bills in regard to absentee voting for Mississippians in the armed services; H. B. 130 and H. B. 131—an appropriation to retire all the bonded indebtedness of the state, and make Mississippi State bond free.

MISSISSIPPI BUSINESS

According to the February issue of the Mississippi Business Review, business in the state during January of this year was 13 per cent better than in January, 1943. Life insurance sales showed the largest increase, while money orders issued showed the smallest increase. According to the district the largest increases were registered in the following districts: Clarksdale, Greenville, Greenwood, Columbus, McComb and Gulfport-Biloxi.

RECEIVES PROMOTION

G. A. Draper, formerly connected with the State Highway Department, has been recently promoted in the U. S. Army Engineers to the rank of Lieut.-Colonel. Col. Draper received notice of his promotion while on leave in Jackson recently and received the hearty congratulations of his many Jackson friends and his former associates of the Highway Department.

LIVE STOCK SHOWS

The ninth annual display of quality cattle of the twelve counties comprising the Southwest Mississippi Stock Show will be held at Port Gibson on March 15, 16, 17. The show will be brought to a close on the 17th with the sale of baby peeves and commercial cattle. H. R. Headley is president of the Exhibition and J. H. Bare is secretary. Another Live Stock Show during March will be the Madison County Live Stock Show on March 13 and 14.

ONLY TWO MAYORS IN 50 YEARS

Tupelo has the distinction of having had only two mayors of that splendid northeast Mississippi city in the past half century, viz: D. W. Robins and J. P. Nanny, the present mayor.

INCOME TAX SLASHED

The Mississippi legislature has passed a law slashing the income tax of our citizens two million dollars per year for the next two years. Under the new income tax rate the scale will range from 1 to 6 per cent, replacing the old rate of 1 1/2 to 7 per cent. The law was passed not only to lower the tax burdens on the individual taxpayers of the state, but to encourage the location of new industries in the state.

IMPORTANT BILL SIGNED

Governor Thomas L. Bailey has signed the Crude Oil Severance Bill. This bill is important because it will increase the state's revenue by approximately \$3,000,000 annually. Oil producing counties in the state will receive one-third of the tax, while the state's part of the tax collected will be two-thirds.

SOUTH UP AND COMING
According to the March issue of the Progressive Farmer the South will be the up and coming section of the

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United States. The United States Census Bureau is given as the source for this statement. Recently the census bureau made a canvass of the cities of the United States, and found that out of 17 cities that would probably show population growth after the war end, 14 of these cities were located in the South. The main reason for this was given as the bulk of American trade after the war would be with South American countries and industries would want to get nearer to their markets. Mississippi is getting ready to secure its share of this increased population, etc., by the present legislature passing laws favorable to

capital the location of these industries after the war ends.

SALES TAX DROPS

According to figures just released by the State Tax Commission the collections of sales tax in Mississippi for the month of February, is \$100,000 under February, 1943. However, regardless of this drop in sales tax increased receipts in other taxes made the total collections for the month of February, 1944 about \$10,000 more than in February, 1943. The total collections for the month was close to two million dollars—\$1,995,120.00.

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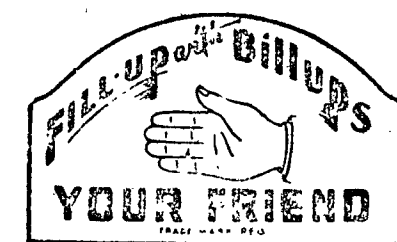
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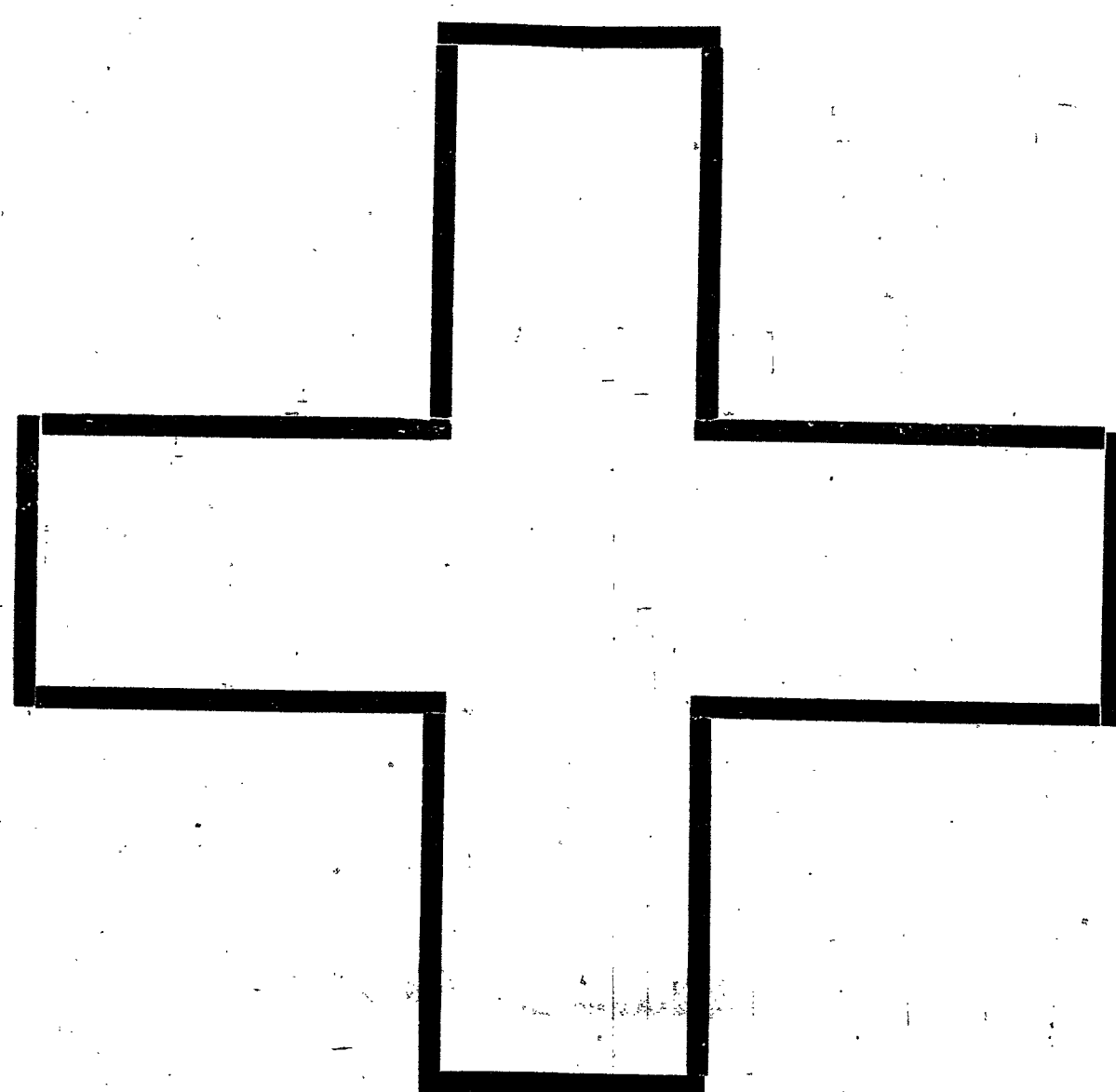


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Flat Top News

Mr. and Mrs. Mabra Eccles from Logtown, Miss., were visitors at Flat Top and Picayune Saturday.

Jesse Wheat from the U. S. Navy stationed at Oklahoma, Mrs. C. P. Bryant from Fayetteville, N. C., and Miss Ila of Biloxi, are visiting their mother, Mrs. Maude Wheat.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moran were visitors in Kiln Sunday.

Pvt. Wayne Miller and two friends from Camp Shelby, Miss., visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Miller last week end.

The school children, the teachers, the bus driver and several other people from here enjoyed a trip to Audubon Park in New Orleans Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Dossett from Picayune, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ira Wheat Sunday.

Gainesville News

Misses Pauline and Ruth Smith from New Orleans are spending several days with Mrs. Rosaire McKane.

Cpl. Willie Wood from Randolph Field, Texas, is spending a furlough here with his mother, Mrs. Florence Wood.

Mrs. Randolph Rody is spending two weeks with her husband, Mr. Rudolph Rody, on the Coast.

Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Miller and son were visitors here last week.

Mr. Rosaire McKane, who is employed on a tugboat, spent a few days here last week with his wife, Mrs. Elsie Mae McKane.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Alford and daughter from Nicholson, visited Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Patch here last week.

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Kiln News

Mr. and Mrs. Xavier Curet and family visited Mrs. Josephine Curet and Mrs. J. V. Bontemps in Biloxi Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Travira of Picayune spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. Lander Necaise and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cretores were over for the week end visiting Mrs. Delphine Curet and daughter Loreta.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bourgeois and sons Pat and Terry of Waveland and Mrs. Frank Carvin of Bay St. Louis were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Castro over the week end.

A junior and senior play entitled "Aunt Minnie From Minnesota" sponsored by Mrs. C. A. Hart is being given at Kiln Vocational School Friday, March 10th at 8 o'clock. A slight admission will be charged for the benefit of the school.

A surprise birthday dinner was given in honor of Judge Fuente's 70th anniversary Sunday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Pepperdine of Bay St. Louis and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Koch and Mrs. Fuente.

Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Mauffray and family of Pascagoula visited Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Bennett Sunday.

Master Eddie Chouest spent Sunday night in Lakeshore with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Julian Chouest.

Mr. and Mrs. Horatio Lott spent the week end at their home in Kiln, they are now living in Pascagoula.

Mr. Roy Holly and Mrs. Ernest Faye visited their mother and father Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Sardos last week.

Mrs. Edna Necaise and daughter Bobbie spent two days last week as guests of Mrs. Ella Castro and Mrs. Aline Curet.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ladd and daughter and Pvt. and Mrs. James McDonald, also Mr. Phillip Bourgeois, Sr., of New Orleans visited Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gonzales and Mrs. Horatio Favre over the week end.

Messrs. Hollis Alton and Harold Joe Hart of Georgetown, S. C., are visiting their father Mr. Alex Hart, Jr., for a few days.

Any excuse you can give for not giving your payroll savings will please Miller, Hilo and puppet Mussolini.

Aaron Academy

Pvt. Clayton Frierson son of Mr. and Mrs. George Frierson returned to his camp in Oregon Tuesday.

Pfc. Louis Thigpen, Jr., arrived home on Wednesday night. He has been awarded a Good Conduct medal. Expert Machine Gunner and Sharpshooter with rifle. He will return to camp Friday night.

A farewell party was given in honor of Wilson Words who leaves for service in the armed forces Tuesday, in the home of Loza Lee Alsobrooks. A large crowd attended and a very enjoyable time for the few remaining young people.

Pvt. Elbert Frierson is expected home Tuesday. He is recuperating from a very serious illness and operation and is being given a few days furlough at home.

Mrs. Willie Thigpen is improving after a serious illness. We wish for her a speedy return to good health.

Mrs. S. B. Mitchell had a letter from Pvt. Simon Mitchell saying that he was doing fine. Simon is in a hospital in Italy with a back injury.

Mrs. Horatio Frierson had letters from both Glen and J. Q. They are in England and Horatio, Jr., is probably there too.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Martinez spent the week end in Picayune. N. H. expects to join the armed forces soon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Ard and daughter and M. Johnston spent the week end on their farm.

Doc and Edward Thigpen visited in Gainesville Sunday afternoon.

Our Red Cross drive is moving slowly. Mrs. Jack Frierson and Mrs. Louis Thigpen visited Aaron Academy School Friday and expects our Junior Red Cross to cooperate. They plan to visit Flat Top School and community this week.

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Waveland News

New Orleans Orchestra Announces Concert Program in Pascagoula.

The New Orleans Civic Symphony Orchestra announce the program for its concert to be played in the High School auditorium at 2 p. m. Sunday, March 19th.

The concert one of the most unusual musical treats ever offered in Pascagoula will be free to the public, under arrangements made by Louis Varrichione, Ingalls recreation director. The Symphony Orchestra will be directed by Ole Windingstad, noted Norwegian conductor.

The program announced will be as follows:

Symphony No. 4 in F Minor—Tschai-kowsky.
Intermission
Les Preludes, Liszt.
Dance of the Hours, Ponchielli.
From the Opera "La Gioconda".
The Blue Danube Waltz, Strauss.
Overture to William Tell, Rossini.

There is more talk of the Red Cross drive just now than any other topic of the week, with so many of the women as busy as can be with this or that assignment planned by the heads. And there is no mistake about the rush of work to be accomplished in connection with the drive.

The usual meeting of the Kings Daughters was held in Waveland School on Thursday, March 9th, at 2 p. m. A cake donated by Mrs. E. N. Spence was raffled.

Norvin Pellerin, age 18, enlisted in the Navy V-5 at Tulane University in New Orleans. Norvin is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Waldsdorf.

Mrs. P. J. Bourgeois was called to New Orleans due to the fatal accident caused by burns to her little grandson Billy, age 2 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lowe. The accident was caused by the child overturning an oil heater.

Mr. Simon Schorling of St. Joseph, street, was suddenly stricken with a heart attack on Sunday while on Coleman avenue. Latest reports are he has improved somewhat.

Kings Daughters report total surgical sponges made were 3500 in February.

Miss Laura Ruhr is now filling the position as Agent for the L. & N. Railroad here at the depot. Miss C. Weston who formerly held the position was transferred to Rigolts.

Pvt. and Mrs. W. H. Alippey of New Orleans visited over the week end with her family. Laura Ruhr returning with them Sunday.

It was so nice to see the John Morreires and daughter, Nola Rita from Pass Christian, Miss. While here they spent time visiting relatives.

House Party

The week just passed was interesting with a few house parties. Jeanne De Fraites entertained with friends at her home on Waveland Avenue. Those enjoying Jeanne's hospitality were Gloria Ford, Ethel De Gruy, Annie Lee Zuranque, Dorothy Reaux, Floy Lahfink, Lillian Flack.

Fenton & Dedeaux

Dedeaux boys entered the tournament at Bay High School, March 3rd and were defeated by ten points.

Howard J. Ladner, S 2/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Ladner is now home on a furlough.

Pvt. Bidwell J. Ladner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Ladner is home on a furlough.

Floyd N. Ladner, S 2/c, son of Mr. D. M. Ladner, has recently been sent to Treasure Island, California, from where he was stationed in Great Lakes, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Hurst announce the birth of a daughter at the Kings Daughters Hospital, March 3.

Miss Lou Ella Williams from So. Carolina has been employed as 6th grade teacher at Dedeaux.

Mrs. Charles Walker of Dedeaux left Sunday for Georgia to spend a few days with her husband, Sgt. Walker.

Mrs. T. C. Jackson continues to be ill at her home in Dedeaux.

Rowena Necaise was a visitor at Dedeaux last Friday.

Mr. Clifton Wallace Ladner of Dedeaux is back home with her family after a short visit with her sister in Sawdust community.

Mr. and Mrs. Edison Martin of Dedeaux is moving on a plantation near Delisle after spending a few days with Mrs. Martin's parents.

Mr. Clinton Ladner is expected to be inducted into the Army. He and his family are visiting relatives in Vidalia.

The seventh and eighth grades are going to give a party sometime this month.

Leetown News

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rester and son Reggie and Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Rester and children of Mobile, Ala., visited relatives and friends of Leetown Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fitzhugh Lee and family and Charles Powell were guests of Mrs. Shelby Lee Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Necaise and family were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Longmires Sunday.

Miss Doris Cuevas of P. R. College was the guest of her sister Mrs. Horace Necaise Friday night.

Mr. Fitzhugh Lee and son Bobbie made a business trip to New Orleans last Wednesday.

Mrs. Montora Lee and daughter, Elvira and Mrs. Carl Cross and two children visited Mrs. Lee's daughter, Mrs. Gusset Pearson last week end.

Mrs. Sederholm of New Orleans was a guest of Mrs. Ross Lee last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Lee announce the birth of a daughter, Judith Grace, born Monday, February 28.

Mr. John Campbell, Mrs. Theodore Stockstill, Miss Virgie Baker, Mrs. David Baker and son made a business trip to New Orleans, Monday.

G. W. Lee left Thursday for Camp Shelby to be inducted into service for Uncle Sam. We wish for him the best of luck.

Mrs. John L. Baker and daughter Velma have returned from the hospital in New Orleans. Velma is recovering nicely.

Mrs. Willie Lee, Mrs. Dunk McCrimmon and Mrs. Calan McCrimmon made a business trip to Bogalusa Saturday.

Mr. Harbert Lee, Misses Virgie and Velma Baker, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Baker were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Campbell of New Orleans, Sunday.

Mrs. W. P. Lee, Sr., was the guest of Mrs. Shelby Lee, Saturday night.

Sellers News

Playing in the regional tournament in Bay St. Louis last week end the Sellers girls defeated St. Joseph Academy and Bay Hi girls. The boys were defeated by St. Stanislaus boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stewart were guests Sunday to see Mrs. Calvin Shaw.

Mrs. John Howard and little daughter Linda visited relatives in Necaise Crossing Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Saucier and baby were week end guests of Mrs. Florence Saucier.

Mr. Toxie Smith was home on a short leave this week end, he is in the Merchant Marine and at present he is stationed in New Orleans. He is a grandson of Mrs. Calvin Shaw.

Mr. Ted Shaw was at home this week end. He is still in Camp Shelby.

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Calendar of Events

First Monday—

King's Daughters Circle, Hospital, 10 a. m.

Pere Le Duc Council Knights of Columbus, K. C. Hall, 8:15 p. m.

First Tuesday—

Episcopal Guild—Episcopal Parish House, 10 a. m.

First Tuesday—

S. J. A. Mothers' Club, Convent, 3:30 P. M.

Red Cross Executive Committee—

First Wednesday at 10 A. M. at Courthouse.

Every First Tuesday—

Waveland Kings Daughters Circle.

First Wednesday—

St. Margaret's Daughters, Home of Mrs. G. Y. Blaize, 3 p. m.

Boy Scouts, K. C. Hall, 8 p. m.

Rotary Luncheon, Noon, Hotel Reed.

Woman's Missionary Union, Baptist Church, 3 p. m.

First Thursday—

Woman's Benevolent Association, Girl Scout House, 8 p. m.

First Friday—

Scout Executive Supper—Meeting, Hotel Reed, 6:30 p. m.

First Sunday—Society of Immaculate Conception, 2 p. m.

Second Tuesday—

Central School P. T. A., School Building, 3 p. m.

W. O. W. Cedar Grove Camp, 507, W. O. W. Hall, 7:30 p. m.

Masonic Lodge, F. & A. M., Masonic Temple, 8 p. m.

Second Wednesday—

Rotary Luncheon, Noon, Hotel Reed.

Second Thursday—

Bay-Waveland Garden Club, 3 p. m.

Eastern Star, Masonic Temple, 5:30 P. M.

Third Monday—

Pere le Duc Council, Knights of Columbus, K. C. Hall, 8:15 p. m.

Third Tuesday—

Woman's Society of Christian Service, 3 p. m.

United Spanish War Veterans, City Hall, 8 p. m.

Third Wednesday—

Rotary Luncheon, Noon, Hotel Reed.

Woman's Missionary Union, Baptist Church, 3 p. m.

Fourth Tuesday—

Library Board at Parish House, 9 a. m.

Followed by Book Review, 10 a. m.

Fourth Wednesday—Rotary Luncheon, Noon, Hotel Reed.

Fourth Thursday—

Pine Grove Circle, No. 167, W. O. W. Hall.

Catahoula News

Mr. and Mrs. Toxie Stewart and children, Shirley and Farrell of Pascagoula, visited Mrs. Magnolia Seal over the week end.

Mrs. Nancy Dossett and daughter Beatrice, attended church services in Caesar Sunday.

Mrs. Magnolia Seal visited her daughter of Pascagoula this week.

Mr. and E. G. Harriel visited Mr. Lucy Seal Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Lumpkin of Sellers were guests of Mrs. Lucy Seal, Thursday.

Several members of the Seal's family attended the ninety-second birthday dinner of Mrs. Mary Seal, Sunday, of Industrial.

Messrs. Carl and Hayward Fleming were accompanied home Sunday evening by Bertha Lee and Agnes Bounds.

Mr. and Mrs. James Necaise and son, Douglas and Mrs. Luvien a Seal were in Gulfport and Bay St. Louis Saturday on business.

Miss Patsy Thurman is residing with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mitchell.

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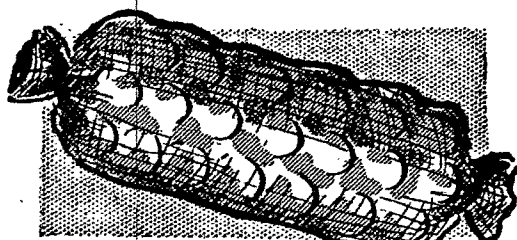
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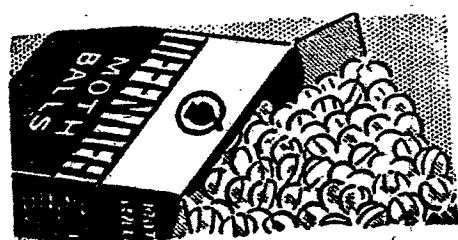
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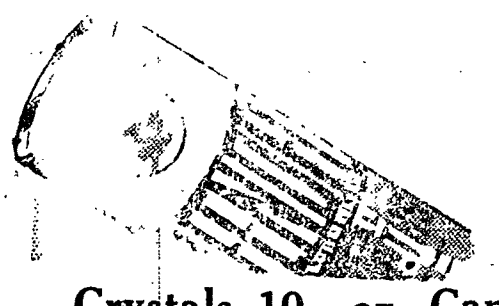
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City Echoes

—Mrs. Augie Gayle of New Orleans is the guest of her sister Mrs. John Weston.

—Mrs. Conn of Hattiesburg is visiting her daughter Mrs. Ulysses Cuevas.

—Graham Jordy, U. S. Coast Guard, has had a medical discharge from the service and is at home.

—Miss Merle Kergosien spent last week end in New Orleans as the guest of Mrs. J. H. Bonck.

—Mr. M. A. Gilmore is again at his place of business after a few days' illness.

—Mrs. L. A. Rogers left last week for Grand Island, Nebraska, to visit her husband Lt. Rogers who is stationed there.

—Miss Lena Mason, county health nurse has taken an apartment with Mrs. George Stevenson on South Beach.

—Mrs. Tom Caldwell from New Orleans is a visitor to Bay St. Louis this week. She is the former Miss Camille Korndorfer.

—Mrs. John A. Green, Jr., left Thursday for Houston, Texas, to visit her sister, Mrs. Robert Blakeway for two weeks.

—Mesdames W. A. McDonald, J. A. Evans, C. C. McDonald, E. Basso and Miss Nellie McDonald spent Wednesday in New Orleans.

—Claude Quintini, Army, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Quintini, who is stationed near Jackson, is at home on a 14-day furlough.

—Mr. Tom Murphree of Atlanta, Georgia, is the guest here of his son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Duckworth.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. Vardin and daughter Miss Dolly Vardin of New Orleans were guests this week of Mrs. Camille Webster.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gregory and J. Townsend Wolfe attended the funeral on Sunday afternoon of George W. Wood, mayor of Moss Point.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Caldwell of Memphis, Tenn., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Robbins at their home in Paradise Point.

—Walter Dupaquier is home again from the Kings Daughters Hospital where he was a patient for the past week. He is much improved and able to be out.

—Mrs. William Douglas Bourgeois is at home from New Orleans where she has been for the past two weeks for observation and medical treatment.

—Mrs. Alden Mauffray is at home again from the Baptist Hospital in New Orleans where she underwent a slight operation. She is much improved.

—The Altar Society of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church will meet on Tuesday, March 14 at 3 p. m. at the convent. All members are expected to attend.

—Mrs. C. C. Ferrell is a patient at the Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, where she underwent an operation. Reports are that she is improving.

—Mrs. Robert Lee Hamilton is with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cagle at their home in Carroll avenue. Mrs. Hamilton, the former Miss Mildred Cagle will be here for sometime while Captain Hamilton is at Camp Howze, Texas.

—News has been received here that Lieutenant Russell, U. S. N. R. has been made Commanding Officer in charge of the Naval Intelligence Office at Panama City, Florida, where he has been stationed.

—Mrs. Theodore Tudury has had news from her son Theodore Tudury, Jr., Army, stationed in England. She said that the letter is cheerful and he writes as if the war will soon end and that "we" will be soon be home.

—Albert Edwards of Norfolk, Virginia, and Mrs. John Wilde of Ponchatoula, Louisiana, spent Saturday here as guests of their sister Mrs. E. J. Lacoste at her home on South Beach.

—Mrs. Arthur E. Melton left on Monday night to join her husband Pfc. Melton, Army, who is stationed at San Francisco, California. Mrs. Melton is the former Miss Lavedith Wheat.

—Mrs. R. D. Robbins has returned from Victoria, Texas, where she was called by the serious illness of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. E. R. Robbins. She reports Mrs. Robbins much improved.

—Lieut. and Mrs. Forest Pendleton, Jr., were guests of Mr. Russell Maurigi and Mr. and Mrs. Gaspar Maurigi, Sr., on Tuesday at their home in Booker Street. Lieutenant Pendleton is just back recently from New Guinea.

—Mrs. Howard John Smith will return Monday from a visit to friends at Durham and Raleigh, North Carolina and Washington, D. C. Mrs. Smith is at home with her mother, Mrs. N. L. Carter while her husband is in the service.

—Mrs. Louis Pate was guest musician at the meeting of the Woman's Club at Gulfport on Monday. Mrs. Pate gave piano selections from the composers of the three Americas. She won many complimentary expressions and was presented with a shower bouquet of spring flowers.

—The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Octave Delph was christened on Sunday at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church the Rev. Father A. J. Gmelch administering the rites of baptism. The young man was given the name of Fred Kevin and the sponsors were Mrs. Alden Mauffray and Mr. Delph's brother, Dalton Delph.

—Mrs. Edward Schwartz spent Tuesday and Wednesday here attending to business and seeing old friends. She was registered at Hotel Reed. Mrs. Schwartz seems a part of Bay St. Louis though she now lives in New Orleans and her many friends always welcome her return even though for only a short stay.

ESTATE OF MRS. KATIE HELLMERS HORD, DECEASED No. 4716

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND BY EXECUTOR

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of the will of Mrs. Katie Hellmers Hord, deceased, and by virtue of the decree of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, rendered therein on March 3rd, 1944, the undersigned executor of the estate of the said testatrix will offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, within legal hours, in front of the main entrance of the county court house of Hancock County, Mississippi, on

MONDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF APRIL, 1944.

the following described lands located in the town or village of Clermont Harbor, Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

(a) A certain lot of land situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the North Line of the right of way of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co., distant on a course North 58 degrees 15 in. east 20.48 chains from the point of intersection of said north line of right of way and the west line of the S. E. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of section 17, township 9 S. R. 14 West; thence North 32 degrees west 22.78 chains to the North line of said Section 17; thence east 3.19 chains thence south 32 degrees East 21.15 chains to the aforesaid N. line of right of way; thence 2.70 chains to the place of beginning, being in the N. E. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of Section 17, Township 9 S. R. 14 West, and containing 6 acres, more or less. Being the first described lot of land in share 7 allotted to Samuel Ladner, as per decree of partition among the heirs of Victor Ladner, deceased, in the cause of Mrs. Amanda Williams et als, complainants—No. 1517 vs. Daniel Ladner, of the docket of the Chancery Court of said county, recorded in Vol. C. 2, pages 185-190, records of deeds of said county; and is the same lot of land conveyed by Samuel C. Ladner to Forest N. Ladner by deed dated June 10, 1913, recorded in Vol. C. 5, page 463, records of deeds of said county.

(b) A certain lot of land situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the north line of the right of way of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, distant on a course North 58 degrees 15 in. east, 18.03 chains from the point of intersection of the aforesaid north line of right of way and the west line of the S. E. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of Section 17, Township 9 S. R. 14 West; thence North 32 degrees west, 24.31 chains to the North line of said section 17; thence east 2.89 chains; thence south 32 degrees east, 22.78 chains to the aforesaid north line of right of way; thence 2.45 chains to the place of beginning, containing 6.30 acres, more or less.

The land last above described is Lot 8 allotted to Mrs. Georgia A. Colly, as per decree of partition, dated Dec. 10, 1910, in the cause of Mrs. Amanda Williams et als vs. Daniel Ladner, heirs at law of Victor Ladner, deceased, No. 1517 of the docket of the Chancery Court of said county recorded in Vol. C. 2, pages 185-190, records of deeds of said county.

The above described lands will be sold pursuant to the provisions of the will of the said testatrix and the decree of court for the purpose of dividing the proceeds of the sale thereof among the heirs of the said Mrs. Katie Hellmers Hord.

Witness my signature, this 7th day of March, 1944.

EMILE HELLMERS
Executor of the Estate of Mrs. Katie Hellmers Hord.

—Chief Waldo C. Otis, U. S. Coast Guard has been transferred to Grayton Beach, Florida, near Panama City. He has been put in charge of the base there. He spent last week end here with Mrs. Otis and their young son.

—Mr. and Mrs. Gaspar Maurigi, Sr., will again celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph on next Sunday, March 19th at their home, 214 Booker St., this being the 24th consecutive year. The public is invited to visit the Altar from 5 p. m. until 11:30 a. m., Sunday March 19th, the doors will re-open at 2:30 p. m. to distribute blessed bread and lucky blessed beans to the public. Anyone desiring to put flowers and anything on the altar for their own intentions is welcomed to do so.



Corporal and Mrs. Andrew J. Becker who were married in New Orleans, La., at St. Anthony's Catholic Church on Monday, January 31st.

HOSTESSES AT TEA

Mrs. Louis Pate and Miss Julia Blaize were hostesses on Sunday afternoon from 4 to 7 at a tea complementing the faculty of the Central and Taylor Schools.

The tea was given at the home of Mrs. Louis Pate and the reception rooms and dining room were bright with spring flowers.

The tea table was covered with a handsome lace cloth and silver containers held white flowers. It was centered with a figure of a nymph gazing into a pool. Here Mrs. Carl Smith poured tea and Mrs. Lucile Anderson poured coffee.

Mrs. Natalie Watson favored with several piano selections. Those enjoying the hospitality of the two charming hostesses were Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Ingram, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Knoblock, Mr. and Mrs. John Kidd, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. James, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Rooney, Mr. and Mrs. John Zengarleng, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Stockstill, Mesdames Carl Smith, Lucile Anderson, Natalie Watson, Celine Ashcraft, Jack Garriga, Anna Mae Stroup, Misses Opal Royal, Edith Russom, Elizabeth Harrington, Mellie Spotorno, Levenia Saucier, Alma Parker and Iris Campbell and Howard Kidd.

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Mrs. C. A. Hart, sponsor for the junior and senior classes of the Kilm Vocational High School and head of the English department will present the students in a play "Aunt Minnie of Minnesota" in the auditorium of the school this Friday night, March 10. The following is the cast of characters:

Aunt Minnie from Minnesota, Joyce Lee.
Mrs. Emily Evans—Bobbie Favre.
Elvira Evans—Mary Pearl Cuevas
Eva Evans—Velma Lott.
Emery Eaton—Vernon Ladner.
Guy Graham—Dudley Garriga.
Silas Spencer—Vernon Haas.
Patience Perkins—Charlyne Lee.
Andy Andrews—Elvert Neacise.
Cornelia Curtis—Merle Perkins.
Nella Nelson—Valina Ladner.
Worthington Winter—J. T. Ladner.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere and heartfelt thanks to friends and relatives for their kindness and sympathy shown us during the illness and death of our dear wife and mother, Mary Louisa Bagert Sick. Special thanks to Rev. W. Aiken, Rev. C. B. Tomb, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McDonald and Edmund F. Fahey, Jr. Also many thanks for the many beautiful floral offerings.

HUSBAND, SONS & DAUGHTERS

CARD OF THANKS

I am taking this means of expressing my sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks for the consideration and many acts of kindness shown by my brother, the late John Rogers, during his years spent in this county, and at the time of his recent accident and death. I shall be grateful always.

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ENTERTAIN AT BREAKFAST

Mrs. Ella Maybin and Mrs. Leo Seal entertained at a breakfast on Saturday morning honoring C. C. McDonald, Jr., and Paul Lacoste both Navy V-12 who left Saturday night for Louisville, Kentucky, to resume their training. They were here on a ten-day leave which they spent with their parents.

Others at the breakfast were Misses Gaynell Gex, Marjorie Horlock, Rosemary Rollins and Virginia Seal.

GUEST OF HONOR AT BANQUET

Private Jim Porter, Army, was the guest of honor at a banquet on Sunday afternoon given by his mother, Mrs. Winifred Porter at their home in New Orleans.

Going from here were his uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Tucker and their daughter Miss Ruth Tucker.

Private Porter, stationed at Camp Roberts, California, is at his home on a furlough and upon his return to camp he expects to be sent overseas.

TO SPEND LEAVE HERE

Lieutenant and Mrs. W. P. Cassidy and little daughter Patricia reached here this week from Jackson and will spend Lt. Cassidy's seven-day sick leave here with Mrs. Cassidy's parents Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Ingram.

Lt. Cassidy was injured in England when he was on a pleasure ride in a two seater plane, after having completed 50 flying missions in England, which crashed and Lt. Cassidy was severely injured. He is much improved and is looking well and anxious to get back to the war front.

ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE OF DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Davis announce the marriage of their daughter Miss Beverly Jean Davis to William Baxter Matthews, U. S. N. R., Loyola Dental Corps, New Orleans. The wedding took place quietly at New Orleans on January 28.

The bridegroom is the son of Dr. Misses Gaynell Gex, Marjorie Horlock, Rosemary Rollins and Virginia Seal.

Her pallbearers were her brother Tom McCabe, her brother-in-law Anthony Benvenuti, Charles Ladner, Lester Ladner, August Ladner and Sidney Castelain.

Her son Herman Moran, Army, arrived here by plane Friday morning from California. Besides Herman there are surviving three daughters, Laurene Sylvia, Yvonne; 4 sons Edward, Milton, Nolan and John. Jr.

The Echo joins with the entire community in sympathy for these boys and girls and young children in the loss of their mother.

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. John Moran

Funeral services were held for Mrs. John Moran, who was killed at her home in Third street on March 1st, allegedly by her estranged husband, on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock with the rites of the Catholic Church the Rev. Father John Martin officiating at the Fahey Funeral Home and at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. Interment was in St. Mary's cemetery.

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